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Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/56/104, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, during its current session, to confirm the appointment by the Secretary-General of three persons to fill vacancies in the Investments Committee resulting from the expiration, on 31 December 2001, of the terms of office of Emmanuel N. Omaboe (Ghana), Yves Oltramare (Switzerland) and Jürgen Reimnitz (Germany).

2. In accordance with the provisions of article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, the Secretary-General, after consultation with the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, submits for confirmation by the General Assembly the reappointment of Emmanuel Noi Omaboe (Ghana), Yves Oltramare (Switzerland) and Jürgen Reimnitz (Germany) as members of the Investments Committee for three-year terms of office beginning on 1 January 2002. Mr. Omaboe is the Chairman of the Committee and has served on the Committee since 1980, Mr. Oltramare has served on the Committee since 1974, and Mr. Reimnitz since 1975. The Secretary-General greatly appreciates their willingness to carry on this important international public service.

3. In accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General proposes to appoint Emilio J. Cárdenas (Argentina), Frigyes Hárshegyi (Hungary) and Hélène Ploix (France) as ad hoc members for one year, beginning 1 January 2002.

4. The curricula vitae of the appointees for confirmation and the ad hoc members are set out in the annex to the present document.

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Annex

Curriculum vitae

Emilio J. Cárdenas (Argentina)

Born: 13 August 1942, Buenos Aires.

Career

Executive Director, HSBC Argentina Holdings S.A. (March 1996 to date).

Vice President, International Bar Association (October 2000).

Member of the informal advisory group to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (October 1998).

Secretary-General of the International Bar Association (September 1998).

Personal Representative of the Secretary-General to Iraq (November 1997).

Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations (September 1992-March 1996).

Representative to the Security Council (1994-1995).

Chairman of the Sanctions Committee for the former Yugoslavia (1995).

Ambassador to Dominica and Guyana (1993-1996).

Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (1995).

Member of the Board of Directors of HSBC Argentina Holdings S.A.; HSBC Bank Argentina S.A.; HSBC-La Buenos Aires Seguros S.A.; HSBC-New York Life (Argentina) S.A.; Máxima S.A. AFJP; HSBC Salud (Argentina) S.A.; IRSA S.A.; and Chevron San Jorge S.A.

Associations

Professor of Law at University of Buenos Aires, Catholic University of Argentina, and University of Illinois (United States of America).

Former member of the Board of Directors, Bank of New York S.A.; Michelin Argentina S.A.; CIAMAR S.A.; Ellerstina S.A.; and the Exxel Group S.A.

Former President of the Argentine Banking Association (1988-1992).

Senior Partner at Cárdenas, Cassagne y Asociados (1966-1991).

Education

University of Buenos Aires Law School, 1964.

University of Michigan Law School (Master of Comparative Law).

Princeton University (1965).

University of California at Berkeley (1966).

Frigyes Hárshegyi (Hungary)

Born: 1946, Budapest.

Career

Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Financial Director, Phylaxia Pharma, Drugs Vaccine and Agrobiological Preparations Manufacturing and Distributing Co. Ltd., Budapest (2000 to date).

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, CIB Securities Ltd., Budapest, fully owned company of Central European International Bank Ltd. Budapest (1999-2000).

Member of the Board of Directors and Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Central European International Bank Ltd., Budapest (1998–1999).

Member of the Board, General Manager of Capital Markets, Central European International Bank Ltd., Budapest (1997–1998).

Deputy President, National Bank of Hungary, Budapest, and member of the Central Bank Council (1990–1997).

General Manager, International Banking Relations Department, National Bank of Hungary, Budapest (1989–1990).

Head of representative office of the National Bank of Hungary, Frankfurt, Germany (1985–1989).

Deputy General Manager, European Banking Relations, National Bank of Hungary, Budapest (1982–1985).

Managing Director, International Department, International Investment Bank, Moscow (1979–1982).

Legal Advisor on international financial agreements, International Investment Bank, Moscow (1976–1979).

Legal Advisor, International Legal Department, National Bank of Hungary, Budapest (1971–1976).

Associations

Member of the International Advisory Board, Creditanstalt Bankverein, Vienna (1993-1996).

Member of the Supervisory Board, Signal Insurance Co., Budapest (1993-1998).

Member of the Advisory Board, German–Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1998 to date).

Member of the Investments Committee, United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund New York (1998 to date).

Member of the Council, Commodity Exchange, Budapest (1998–2000).

Education

Doctorate in Law, University of Szeged, Hungary (1974).

Yves Oltramare (Switzerland)

Born: 3 October 1925.

Career

1952-1957	Lehman Brothers, New York.
1957-1990	Lombard, Odier et Cie, Geneva (Partner after 1 January 1961).

Founding member of European Investment Research Group.

Founding member of the Swiss Association of Securities Analysts.

Associations
On the Board of Directors

1963-1989	Omnium de Petroles S.A. (OPSA), Geneva.
1968-1999	Christie's (International) S.A., Geneva.
1970-1989	Intrag AG, Zürich.
1982-1991	Tractebel Finance S.A., Geneva.
1983-1989	Pechiney Trading Company, Zug.
1985-1991	Omnium Financier de Paris, Paris.
1985-1997	Vita Life Insurance Company, Zürich.
1985-1997	Zürich Insurance Company, Zürich.
1986-1990	Bank Leu AG, Zürich.
1991-1997	SGS-Société Générale de Surveillance Holding S.A., Geneva.

Other
Member of the Pension Fund Investments Committee

1967-present	International Labour Organization, Geneva.
1985-1997	Inter-Parliamentary Union, Geneva.
1983-1993	President, Fondation Louis-Jeantet de médecine, Geneva.
1994-present	Honorary President, Fondation Louis-Jeantet de médecine, Geneva.

Education

University of Geneva.

E. N. Omaboe (Ghana)
(also known as **Nana Wereko Ampem II**)

Born: 29 October 1930

Career

Chairman and Managing Director, E.N. Omaboe Associates Limited, Investment and Economic Consultants (1969 to date).

Chancellor, University of Ghana (1998 to date).

Commissioner for Economic Affairs (Minister) (1967-1969).

Government Statistician (1960-1966).

Deputy Government Statistician (1959-1960).

Economics Research Fellow, University of Ghana (1957-1959).

Associations

Barclays Bank of Ghana Ltd. (Chairman).

UTC Estates of Ghana Ltd. (Chairman).

Reiss and Company, Ghana, Ltd. (Chairman).

Ammirati Puris Lintas (Chairman).

New World Investments Ltd. (Chairman).

Royal Statistical Society (Honorary Fellow).

International Statistical Institute (Vice-President).

American Statistical Association (Member).

Economic Society of Ghana (President).

International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (Member).

Education

University of Ghana, 1951-1954.

London School of Economics, 1954-1957.

Hélène Ploix (France)

Born: September 1944.

Career

Chairman, Pechel Industries (June 1997 to date).

Special Adviser to KPMG Peat Marwick on the single currency (1996-1997).

Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Caisse des dépôts et consignations (CDC) and Chairman of CDC Participations, Paris (November 1989-July 1995).

Executive Director, International Monetary Fund and World Bank (February 1986-October 1989).

Adviser to the Prime Minister for Economic and Financial Affairs (August 1984-February 1986).

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Banque industrielle et mobilière privée, Paris (1982-1984).

Vice President, Compagnie européenne de publication, Paris (1978-1982).

Technical Adviser to the Secretary of State for Consumer Affairs (1977-1978).

Senior Engagement Manager, McKinsey and Company, Paris (1968-1978).

Associations

Non-Executive Director, The Boots Company, Ferring, Lafarge and Publicis; Trustee, American University of Paris.

Education

Institut d'études politiques de Paris (Public Service) (1965).

University of California at Berkeley, M.A., Public Administration (1966).

Institut européen d'administration des affaires, MBA (1968).

Graduate in law, Paris (1968).

Bachelor of Arts (English), Paris (1968).

Jürgen Reimnitz (Germany)

Born: 22 September 1930, Gleiwitz, Germany.

Career

Commerzbank, A.G. (since 1951): member of the Central Advisory Board (since 1995) and member of the Board of Managing Directors (1975-1995).

Associations

Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Air Liquide GmbH, Düsseldorf, and Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, KAG mbH, Frankfurt.

Member of the Supervisory Board, Alcan Deutschland GmbH., Eschborn; Rémy-Cointreau S.A., Cognac/Paris; and Bongrain S.A., Viroflay.

Director, Mercury Selected Trust SICAV, Luxembourg, and Mercury Offshore Sterling Trust SIVAC, Luxembourg.

Chairman, Finance Committee, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

Vice Chairman and Treasurer, International Chamber of Commerce, Germany.

Member, Investments Committee, United Nations, New York.